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SUBJECT: SOVIET DICTIONARY OF FAR EASTERN SCHOLARS

1. PROFESSOR RODGER SWEARINGEN OF USC'S SCHOOL OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS HAD LENT EMBASSY WHAT APPEARS TO BE A RARE AND OTHERWISE UNOBTAINABLE "BIBLIOGRAPHICAL DICTIONARY OF SOVIET FAR EASTERN SCHOLARS", IN RUSSIAN, PUBLISHED IN 2,000 COPIES BY "NAUKA" PUBLISHING HOUSE IN 1975. THE BOOK GIVES BIOGRAPHIC INFORMATION ON SOVIET SCHOLARS WHO WORKED IN FAR EASTERN STUDIES FROM 1917-1972, INCLUDING DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH, ACADEMIC AND SCIENTIFIC BACKGROUND, FIELDS OF ACTIVITY, AND BASIC WORKS. THE BOOK IS 732 PAGES IN LENGTH. CHECKS REVEAL THAT BOOK IS UNAVAILABLE IN MOSCOW.

2. IT OCCURS TO US THAT WASHINGTON AGENCIES MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN MAKING A COPY OF THE BOOK. IF SO, WE CAN SEND BOOK TO EUR/SOV VIA EMBOFF WHO WILL BE IN WASHINGTON AT END OF JULY. WE HAVE UNDERTAKEN TO RETURN BOOK TO PROFESSOR SWEARINGEN (WHO HAS RETURNED TO CALIFORNIA) IN ABOUT TWO WEEKS, HOWEVER, SO COPYING WOULD HAVE TO BE DONE EXPEDITIOUSLY. PLEASE ADVISE BY COB JULY 28. MATLOCK

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